

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Adjustable overflow for insertion into a tub-like container having a floor and a receiving aperture, comprising:

the adjustable overflow having a base with a discharge aperture, a cylindrical tube portion with an axial passageway which is attached to said base and communicates with said discharge aperture, and a tubular adjusting member, wherein the adjusting member includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the adjusting member for co-operating with an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the tube portion and extends around the circumference of on the tube portion or alternatively, the tube portion includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the tube portion for co-operating with an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the adjusting member and extends around the circumference of on the adjusting member;

wherein the tubular adjusting member is rotatably mounted on or in said tube portion, said tube portion being provided with a first adjustment opening and said adjusting member being provided with two or more additional adjustment openings, said additional adjustment openings being arranged so as to be staggered in the circumferential and axial directions, said adjustment openings being arranged such that, in different turning positions of said adjusting member relative to the tube portion, said first and at least one of said additional adjustment openings overlap at least partially to define different overflow levels, or do not overlap and close the overflow, the adjustment member and the tube portion being engageable with each other in an axial direction, wherein the cylindrical tube portion is

configured to insert into the receiving aperture in the tub-like container such that the container floor adjacent to the receiving aperture is located between the top surface of the base and the adjustment member.

2. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tube portion and the adjusting member are open at an end facing away from the base, thereby defining a maximum overflow level.
3. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adjustment openings are substantially rectangular, a lower edge in each case facing the base and defining an overflow level.
4. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tube portion has a first adjustment opening running in the axial direction and extending from the base to an end of said tube portion distal from said base.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein stop means are provided for locking different relative turning positions between the adjusting member and the base.
7. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base has a flat bearing surface adjacent to the tube portion and running radially.
8. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base has two stops to limit a turning angle.
9. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the discharge aperture is aligned transversely to the cylindrical tube portion.

10. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overflow consists entirely or partially of a material which automatically becomes water-permeable after it has been wet for a certain time.
11. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein a further discharge aperture is provided, which is arranged so as to be staggered in the circumferential direction and is disposed opposite the discharge aperture.
12. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein an inspection opening is disposed in the region of the base in an extension of the passageway and communicating therewith.
13. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 12, wherein the inspection opening is sealed with a removable cap.
14. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base is provided, in the region of the passageway, with a means for connecting a drainage hose.
15. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one adjustment opening and/or the open end of the adjusting member is/are designed in the form of a grating.
16. (Currently amended) A storage platform for storing, watering and transporting plants, the storage platform comprising:
a tub-like design and having at least one overflow having a base with a discharge aperture, a cylindrical tube portion with an axial passageway which is attached to said base and communicates with said discharge aperture, and a tubular adjusting member, wherein the adjusting member includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the adjusting member for co-operating with

an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the tube portion and extends around the circumference of ~~on~~ the tube portion or alternatively, the tube portion includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the tube portion for co-operating with an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the adjusting member and extends around the circumference of ~~on~~ the adjusting member;

wherein the tubular adjusting member is rotatably mounted on or in said tube portion, said tube portion being provided with a first adjustment opening and said adjusting member being provided with two or more additional adjustment openings, said additional adjustment openings being arranged so as to be staggered in the circumferential and axial directions, said adjustment openings being arranged such that, in different turning positions of said adjusting member relative to the tube portion, said first and at least one of said additional adjustment openings overlap at least partially to define different overflow levels, or do not overlap and close the overflow, the overflow for defining a desired level of liquid, the adjustment member and the tube portion being engageable with each other in an axial direction, wherein the cylindrical tube portion is configured to insert into a receiving aperture in the tub-like container having a floor such that the floor adjacent to the receiving aperture is located between the top surface of the base and the adjustment member.

17. (Previously presented) The storage platform as claimed in claim 16, wherein the storage platform is rectangular and has two mounting members in each case on two parallel narrow sides for hanging them in rack struts, each mounting member having an engagement end portion ending freely.

18. (Previously presented) The storage platform as claimed in claim 17, wherein the engagement end portions of the mounting members are in each case disposed in a corner region of the storage platform.
19. (Previously presented) The storage platform as claimed in claim 16, wherein an outlet member is disposed on the storage platform and automatically becomes water-permeable after it has been wet for a certain time.
20. (Currently amended) A watering device for storing, watering and transporting plants, comprising:

at least two storage platforms arranged one on top of the other, the platforms having a tub-like design and having at least one overflow having a base with a discharge aperture, a cylindrical tube portion with an axial passageway which is attached to said base and communicates with said discharge aperture, and a tubular adjusting member, wherein the adjusting member includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the adjusting member for co-operating with an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the tube portion and extends around the circumference of on the tube portion or alternatively, the tube portion includes a peripheral retaining groove that extends around the circumference of the tube portion for co-operating with an engagement member that projects outwardly from the wall of the adjusting member and extends around the circumference of on the adjusting member;

the tubular adjusting member rotatably mounted on or in said tube portion, said tube portion being provided with a first adjustment opening and said adjusting member being provided with two or more additional adjustment openings, said adjustment openings being arranged so as to be staggered in the

circumferential and axial directions, said adjustment openings being arranged such that, in different turning positions of said adjusting member relative to the tube portion, said first and at least one of said additional adjustment openings overlap at least partially to define different overflow levels, or do not overlap and close the overflow, the adjustment member and the tube portion being engageable with each other in an axial direction, wherein the cylindrical tube portion is configured to insert into a receiving aperture in the tub-like container having a floor, such that the floor adjacent to the receiving aperture is located between the top surface of the base and the adjustment member;

wherein said storage platforms being arranged in such a way that any liquid draining away via the overflow of a/each storage platform flows into a storage platform below, one arranged immediately adjacent to it.

21. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein each of the additional adjustment openings is smaller than the first adjustment opening.
22. (Cancelled)
23. (Previously presented) The overflow as claimed in claim 1, wherein the internal diameter of the adjusting member is substantially identical to the external diameter of the cylindrical tube.